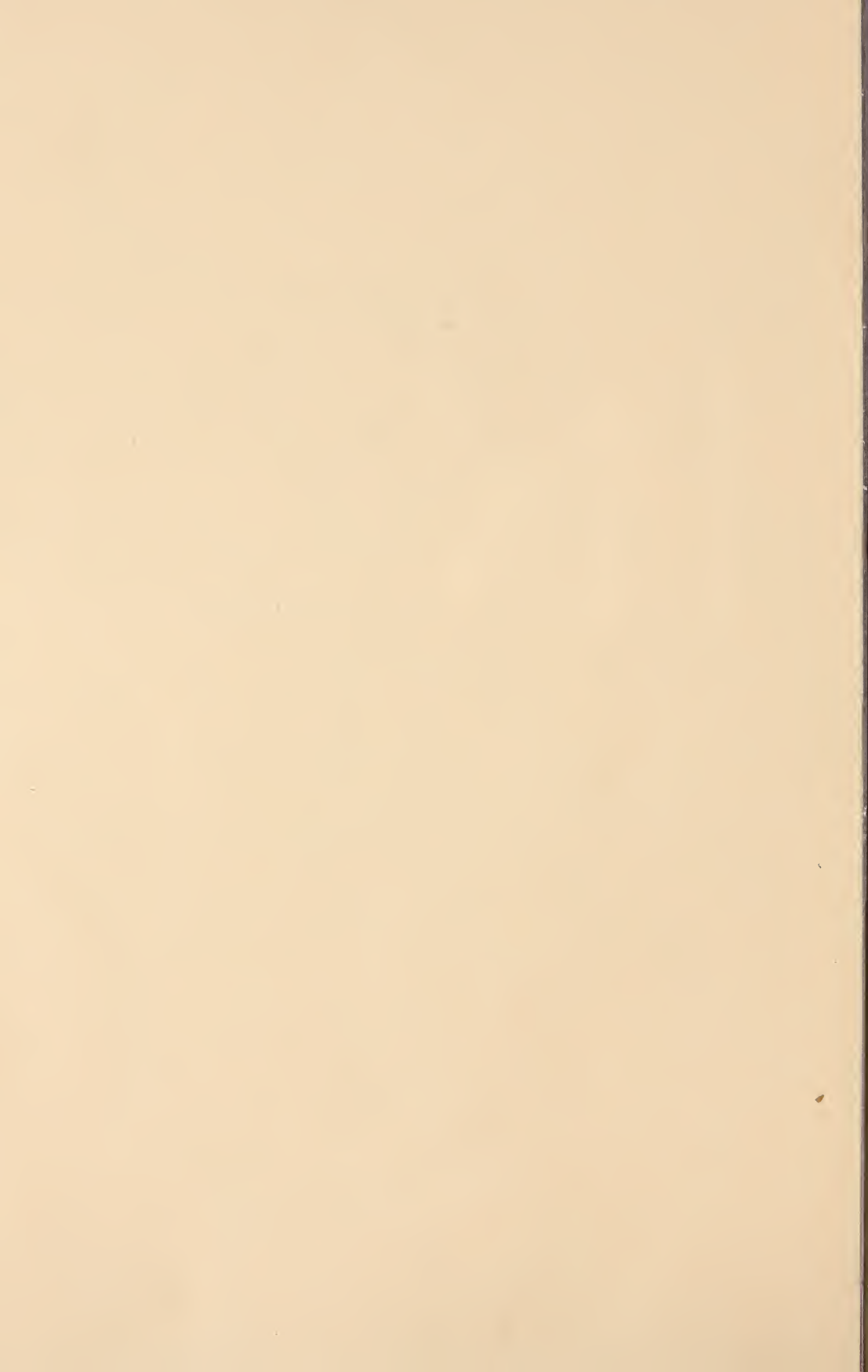


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REX BEGONIA.

Abutilon in variety
Royal Scarlet
Santana



Mesopotamicum
Souv de Bonn
Golden Fleece
Thompsonii Plena
Acacia in variety
Achania Malvaviscus
Achillea Ptarmica
Pearl, double white
Millefolium rubrum
Achyranthus, new carmine
Emersoni
Ageratum, white
Agrostemma coronaria
Almond (Fruiting Almond)
Alternanthera, red
Brilliantissima
Alyssum, Double Sweet
Ampelopsis Veitchi
Quinkefolia, Woodbine.
NOTE.—Ampelopsis Veitchi is the Boston Ivy, a hardy, handsome Vine for covering walls. A. Quinkefolia is the hardy Woodbine. Both grow freely in sun or shade, and turn a bright scarlet in autumn.
Angelonia grandiflora
Anthemis Nobilis
Antericum Liliastrium
Antigonon leptopus
Aquilegia canadensis, red

Arabis Alpina
Arum Cornutum
Artichoke, Jerusalem
Asclepias cornuti, Milkwe'd



Asparagus Sprengeri
Plumosus nanus
Decumbens
NOTE.—Asparagus Sprengeri is a superb basket or vase plant, the feathery sprays often drooping three to five feet.
Aubrietia purpurea
Bauhinia purpurea
Bignonia Tweediana
Boltonia glastifolia
Begonia Decorus
Fuchsioides
Argentea guttata
NOTE.—Begonia Argentea guttata is a lovely pot plant, foliage reddish green with silver spots, the under surface red. The flowers are waxy, flesh-colored, in fine clusters.
Nitida rosea
Manicata, green-leaved
Weltoniensis cut-leaf
Foliosa
Diadema
Feasti



NOTE.—Begonia Feasti is the old, easily-grown, winter-blooming Beefsteak Begonia, with large, thick, deep green leaves, red underneath. B. Nitida is also a winter-bloomer, bearing graceful white clusters.
Bougainvillea Sanderi



Boston Smilax
NOTE.—Boston Smilax is a lovely vine for a pot trellis, and also does well bedded out. Its sprigs of foliage are bright green,

and charming for bouquets or for combining with flowers for personal adornment.
Bryophyllum calycinum



Cactus, Opuntia Variegata
Queen of Night
Calla Spotted
NOTE.—Calla, spotted-leaved, a fine summer plant for a shady place out-doors either in pots or beds. The plants are sure to bloom, and are always admired.
Campanula in variety
Fragilis
Camphor Tree
Canna variegata
Robusta, red-leaved
Carex Japonica



Chrysanthemum, hardy sorts. See advertisement
Frutescens
Comtesse de Chambord
Chlidanthus fragrans

Carnation, Margaret, pink
White, also Yellow
Centaurea Macrophylla
Cineraria Maritima
Hybrida
Cinnamon Vine
Cissus Heterophyllus
Clematis paniculata
Vitalba
Cilanthus punicus
Coboea Scandens



Coleus Beckwith
Booker Washington
Christmas gem
Fire Brand
Verschaffeltii

Fancy, in variety
Cordylina indivisa
Coreopsis Grandiflora
Crape Myrtle, pink
Crassula cordata
Spatulata
Cryptostemma lusitanica
Cuphea platycentra



Cyclamen, James' Prize
Mont Blanc, white
Superbissima rosea
White, red eye.
Emperor William, red

NOTE.—Cyclamen are splendid blooming plants for pots. I offer small plants that will grow and bloom the coming spring if well cared for.



Cyperus alternifolius, a lovely aquarium plant
Cypripedium Acaule
Dahlia, Ernest Glass
Daisy, Shasta, Alaska

California
Westralia
Daisy, Snowflake
Delicata
Longfellow
Delphinium in variety
Dielytra spectabilis
Eximia
Digitalis purpurea
Eranthemum pulchellum
Erythrina crista galli
Eucalyptus Globosus
Eucomis punctata
Eupatorium riparium

Euphorbia splendens
NOTE.—Euphorbia splendens, known as Crown of Thorns, bears lovely vermilion clusters in winter. It is always much admired.

Fern, Pierson Plume
Boston
Compacta
Polystichum
Pteris Mayii
Pteris Sieboldii
Scotti
Tarrytown
Ferraria, red
White
Yellow

Ficus repens
Fuchsia, Black Prince
Little Prince
E. G. Hill
Arabella
Silver King
Glorie des Marches
Speciosa
Trailing Queen
Chas. Blanc
Rosains Patri
Fulgens

NOTE.—Fuchsia Glorie des Marches is one of the finest double white varieties, growing well and blooming freely, the flowers large, and of great substance. Silver King is a superb single-flowered variety with silvery foliage, and long, waxy flowers, the corolla carmine, sepals white. Little Prince, a free grower and bloomer, the flowers small, red-purple with crimson sepals. Black Prince has dark foliage and large, bell-shaped carmine flowers. I offer fine plants of all of these.

Funkia subcordata
Undulata variegata
Ovata
Gaillardia grandiflora



Grevillea robusta

NOTE.—Grevillea robusta is an elegant foliage pot plant at the North, and a fine ornamental tree at the South, being graceful, and of easy culture.

Geranium, Prædensis, hardy
Maculatum, hardy
Sanguineum, hardy



Geranium, double, variety
Single in variety
Scented in variety
Variegated in variety
Oak Leaf
Ivy-leaf, L' Elegans,
Galilee
Joan of Arc

NOTE.—The pink Ivy-leaf Geranium, Galilee, and the white one, Joan of Arc, are very beautiful, free-growing, free-blooming varieties that should be more popular. I offer fine plants of them, and am sure they will please.

Guava, fine tropical fruit
Habrothamnus elegans
Heuchera sanguinea



Heliotrope in variety
Dark Blue
White

NOTE.—Both white and blue Heliotrope emit a delightful fragrance, and are fine bedding plants for a sunny exposure, or for pots in summer. You never err in getting Heliotrope plants.



Hemerocallis Sieboldii
Dumortieri
Thunbergii
Flava

NOTE.—H. Dumortieri grows a foot high, bearing clusters of orange flowers in great abundance. It is a superb border plant, perfectly hardy, and beautiful in both foliage and flower. H. flava is the Lemon Lily, growing two feet high, and bearing lovely yellow, scented bloom a little later in the season. Still later comes H. Thunbergii with flowers like Lemon Lily, but borne on taller stems.

Heterocentron album
Helianthus Maximilliana
Hibiscus in variety
Crimson Eye



Honeysuckle, Halls Hardy
Reticulata aurea
Scarlet Trumpet
Hoya Carnosa; Wax Plant
Hydrangea paniculata grandiflora.

NOTE.—This is a grand autumn-blooming shrub, the white flowers appearing in immense conical panicles. It is perfectly hardy, and will thrive in sun or shade in almost any soil.

Impatiens Sultani
Holsti
Incarvillea grandiflora



Iris, Florentina white
Blue
Purple
Kaempferi Leopold II
Queen of Blues
Glorie de Rotterdam
Kermesinianum
Siberica atro-purpurea
Germanica
Rosy Queen
Cream Yellow
Pseudo-acorus, yellow

NOTE.—Iris pseudo-acorus is a robust sort delighting in a boggy place, or along a stream. It grows three or four feet high, and has exquisite, rich yellow flowers; beautiful.

Ivy, English, greenleaved
Variegated-leaved
Irish or Parlor

NOTE.—The Variegated English Ivy is lovely for a window trellis, as well as for covering a wall outdoors. It is hardy, and a rather free grower. It also does well as a carpet in dense shade, where other things will not grow.

Jacaranda Mimosæfolia
Jasmine in variety
Grandiflorum
Revolutum
Gracillimum
Nudiflorum
Jerusalem Cherry
Justicia sanguinea
Velutina
Kenilworth Ivy
Kudzu Vine
Lilium Tigrinum single
Takesima, white, hardy
Linum Perenne
Lopesia rosea



Lantana, Weeping
In variety
Lavatera arborea
Lavender

NOTE.—Lavender is a hardy, richly-scented herb, bearing purple bloom; when cut and dried and placed among furs or clothing it is an excellent moth preventive, and affords a delightful perfume as well.

Lemon Ponderosa
Leucanthemum Maximum
Lily of the Valley, German
Dutch
Fortin's Giant

Lysimachia, Moneywort
Mackaya, Bella
Madeira Vine
Malva Moschata
Mandevilla Suaveolens
Manettia bicolor
Mesembryanthemum grand
Mexican Primrose
Moon Flower
Myosotis, Lone Star
Alpestris



Nasturtium, Double yel.
Tuberosum
NOTE.—Nasturtium Double Yellow is a strong, free blooming vine bearing large, double flowers marked with red. It is beautiful, and easily grown.
Nepeta, Catnip
Nicotiana affinis
Sylvestris
Sanderi
Oenothera Frazerii
Oxalis Orange
Oxalis Golden Star
Buttercup
Rosea, for baskets and edgings. Price 50 cts per hundred.
Palm, Phoenix Tenus
Palmetto
Phoenix canariensis
Pritchardia filamentosa
Brahea filamentosa

NOTE.—The Palms I offer are small, but well-rooted, and will often develop better than larger plants. Shift into larger pots as they grow, and keep moss over the soil to prevent drying out. Do not let the sun shine against the sides of the pot. They all become elegant foliage plants for the window.

Pardanthus Chinensis
Pentstemon Murryanus.
Peperomia maculosa
Perennial Pea, Pink, Red, White
Phalaris, ribbon-grass
Phlox, Boule de Neige, white
Boule de Feu, flame
Iris, purple
Physalis Francheti
Physianthus albens
Pilea Muscosa
Pittosporum Tobira
Platycodon, White, Blue
Podophyllum peltatum
Polygonum multiflorum
Cuspidatum

NOTE.—Polygonum cuspidatum grows six feet high, with showy foliage, and in July or August beautiful, delicate, spike-like racemes of white flowers at every leaf-axil. Once started it will take care of itself, and never fails to excite the admiration of all who see it.

Poppy, Perennial
Primrose, Veris Elatior
Veris Gold Laced

These Plants, Shrubs and Trees are all well-rooted and in fine condition. I have a full stock now, and can mostly supply anything in the list. Changes in the list and in the terms will be made monthly throughout the season. Safe arrival guaranteed. Address

Pyrethrum, Hardy Cosmos
Ranunculus Lingua
Rocket, Sweet, Violet
White
Rudbeckia Golden Glow
Bicolor
Purpurea, 6 feet high, large crimson bloom; hardy; splendid.
Ruellia Makoyana
Russelia elegantissima
Juncea
Sage, English



Salvia Præstensis, hardy
Coccinea splendens
Patens, blue
Rutilans
Robusta
Sclarea
Roemerianum, scarlet, fine spikes, rich and handsome.
Sausseveria Zeylanica
Saponaria ocyroides
Saxifraga peltata
Sarmentosa
Sedum acre
Selaginella, moss-like
Silene orientalis
Solanum grandiflorum
Rantonetti

NOTE.—Solanum Rantonetti is a free-growing pot plant bearing rich purple flowers about the size of a Four-o'clock. It is of easy culture, and blooms almost continuously during summer.

Sollya heterophylla
Spartium junceum
Spirea Filipendula
Japonica
Gladstone
Palmetta elegans
Venusta
Van Houtte
Stokesia Cyanea
Strobilanthes anisophyllus
Sweet William
Tansy
Thalictrum adiantifolium
Thunbergia grandiflora
Tradescantia Zebrina



Tricyrtis Hirta
Tritoma Carolina
McOwani
Trollius, Thos. Ware
Tropaeolum tuberosum
Umbrella Tree

NOTE.—The Umbrella Tree is not considered hardy north of Tennessee. It is fine for shade, its foliage being very beautiful, and its big purple panicles always admired. It is fine for bedding out at the

North, keeping it in the cellar in winter. It always thrives well.

Veronica longiflora
Spicata
Imperialis
Vinca Minor, hardy
Vinca rosea
Rosea alba
Nova species
Viola, Marie Louise
Wallflower, Ne plus ultra
Wat-onia, an elegant bulbous flower; treat as a Gladiolus.
Yucca filamentosa
Aloifolia
Quadricolor

Hardy Shrubs.

Abelia rupestris
Althea rosea
Single, mixed colors
Amorpha fruticosa
Aralia pentaphylla
Benzoin odoriferum
Berberis Jamesonii
Vulgaris



NOTE.—Berberis Thunbergii is the best hedge-plant known. It grows quickly, is naturally dense and bushy, requires hardly any pruning, and is a close, effectual barrier. It is a fine nesting shrub for the little song-sparrows, as cats and English sparrows do not care to penetrate the dense spiny growth.



Bignonia Radicans
Capreolata
Calycanthus floridus
Coral Berry
Cytisus Laburnum
Deutzia gracilis
Pride of Rochester
Euonymus Americana
Japonica
Exochorda grandiflora
Forsythia Viridissima
Suspensa (Sieboldii)
Hamamelis Virginiana
Hydrangea paniculata grandiflora
Hypericum Moserianum
Kalmia, Laurel
Kerria Japonica
Koeleruteria paniculata
Laurus Benzoin
Lilac, common
Philadelphus, Mock Orange
Rhus aromatica
Robinia hispida
Rosa Rugosa

Rose, Mary Washington
Vichuriana, hardy climber.

Seven Sisters
NOTE.—Seven Sisters is a free-blooming Climbing Rose, perfectly hardy. The flowers are large, rose-colored, very double, and come in clusters.

Sambucus Canadensis
NOTE.—Sambucus Canadensis is the Elderberry. It is a handsome shrub, with pretty foliage and charming lace-like white flowers in big flat panicles. It blooms in July, after most other shrubs have bloomed, and is very showy. The flowers are followed by big broad panicles of black berries, which are fine for jelly, jam and pies. The berries are scalded and drained before using, to get the best results.
Spirea Anthony Waterer
Reevesii
Callosa alba
Symphoricarpos racemosa
Weigela rosea
Variegata

Hardy Trees.

Acer rubrum
Ailanthus glandulosa
American Elm
American Linden
California Privet
Carolina Poplar
Catalpa Kämpferi
Cladrastis tinctoria
NOTE.—Cladrastis tinctoria is a beautiful flowering tree. Hardy south, but needs protection north of Pennsylvania. It grows quickly, and is very attractive, especially when blooming.
Cercis Canadensis
Cork Elm
Cornus floridus
Diospyros Virginica
Ginkgo Biloba
Ilex opaca
Ligustrum Ibotum, a beautiful, hardy evergreen Privet.
Liquidambar styraciflua
Liriodendron tulipifera
Magnolia acuminata
Tripetala
Morus Tartarica
Oxydendrum arborea
Paulownia Imperialis

NOTE.—Paulownia imperialis is a grand tree from Japan. It has semi-tropical foliage, and big panicles of purple bloom in spring. It is hardy in Pennsylvania, and a fine shade tree.
Pavia flava
Pride of India
Rhamnus Carolina
Scarlet Maple
Sugar Maple
Sycamore, American
Tulip Poplar
Ulmus Americana
Umbrella Tree
Viburnum
Acerifolium
Weeping Willow

NOTE.—Weeping Willow is a most graceful, weeping tree, with lovely, soft-green foliage. It delights in a moist place. It is the first tree to become green in spring, and the last to lose its green leaves.

Xanthorhiza, Yellow Root

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AUGUST.

Heed we not the wild bird's call,
Or the ceaseless waterfall?
Heed we not the threatening power
Of the thunder-clouds that lower?
Here beneath the oak-tree's shade
We are resting unafraid,
August, languishing and gay,
Bids us dream the hours away.

Waverly, New York.

Ruth Raymond.

THE AUTUMN SEASON.

IN THE SPRING the flowers that adorn the woods and fields and meadows are mostly of delicate texture, and often of soft colors, with delightful fragrance. But how different are the common wild flowers of Autumn. The coarser growth of weeds and grasses at that season would quite smother or render inconspicuous the flowers of Spring, while the Daisies, Sunflowers, Ironweed, Eupatorium, Helenium, and a host of the other things that decorate so freely the landscape in Autumn are mostly large, and showy plants covered with bold red, yellow or white flowers, fit subjects to make a display among their coarser companions, and of such vigor that they can hold their ground without dispute when once they get a foothold.

When Spring comes we rejoice in the little fragrant Violets, Spring Beauty, Liverwort, Scarlet Columbine, Anemones, Adder's Tongue, and other modest things that quickly shoot up and beautify the earth when the warm sunshine and

gentle showers awake them from their winter sleep. When Summer comes we welcome the coarser things, as Yarrow and Carrot with their white clusters, the Common Vervain, with spikes of rich blue, the fragrant Milkweed, Pleurisy-root, Jewel Weed, and others which relieve the dusty, rusty landscape during the dry, hot, harvest days. But when the cool nights of Autumn appear, and the hazy sunshine and tinting Sumac remind us of the waning season; when the crickets sing their dreary songs, the Katy-did saws in the evening twilight, and the dear little feathered friends that have enlivened us with their happiest music, flock together and sadly bid us farewell, then, oh then, how gladly we welcome the bright, bold, brave flowers that nod to us from every fence-row and meadow and break.

We pluck handfuls of the happy Sunflowers in their golden attire; we cull the luxuriant branches of Wild Asters, blue and purple with golden centers; and we add quantities of the white Daisies and grasses to complete our Autumn bouquet. The soft, hazy atmosphere, the warning change and rustle of the leaves, and the general thoughtful sentiment inspired, fits us to enjoy the landscape of Autumn, its flowers, its foliage and its fruits. Thus every period has its attractions and its pleasures, and not the least enjoyable are those of



AUTUMN FLOWERS.

the lovely Autumn season. Gladly do we welcome it, and richly do we enjoy it. Let us attune our hearts to its rare beauty, and to the sweet influences it exerts.

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Seed-Sowing.—Ferns, Palms, Cyperus and Acacia can be propagated from seeds sown in the spring or early summer. The Fern spores should be sown over sifted, firmed soil in a shallow earthen pan, and kept in a cool, moist place till they germinate. The other seeds should be covered in proportion to their size, and should not be expected to start for from one till three months. Let them remain in the nursery pot or bed till they show several leaves, then transplant into boxes or pots. They all develop slowly at first, and some patience and care are needed to promote success with them.

Bloomless Pæonies.—When the Chinese Pæonies persist in being flowerless for many years apply some lime and phosphate about the roots, and stir the materials into the surface soil. If this does not have the desired effect transplant the clumps to a different exposure. Then if still refractory discard them and get plants of free-blooming varieties. Life is too short to waste more time with them.

Asparagus Sprengeri.—When a plant of Asparagus Sprengeri becomes too large for the pot in which it is growing take it out and divide it, allowing several sprouts to each piece; or, repot it in a larger vessel. Do not take the tubers off without a sprout. They will throw out roots, but, like Dahlia tubers, they will not form plants unless they contain "eyes" or sprouts.

STARTING SHRUBS AND TREES.

AS A RULE ornamental shrubs are readily grown from half-hardened new wood taken in May or June. If the cuttings can be taken with a heel of the old wood they will be more likely to strike than if taken at joints or leaves. Such shrubs as the Snowball should be started by layering, which is simply to cut a nick upon the underside of a branch and bury the part in the soil, allowing the top to protrude above. When rooted, this branch can be cut away from the parent plant, and transplanted. Such plants as Sumac, Sweet Currant and pink Flowering Locust can be started from root cuttings. Many things are easily started from seeds. As a rule these should be kept in a cool, rather moist place till spring, then planted. The Chestnut, Locust, Acorn and shrubs generally are very successfully increased in this way. The seeds are often kept in layers of moist sand in a place too cool to promote germination, to preserve the vitality till planting time. A good variety of shrubs and trees can be increased by grafting and budding, the former being done in the spring, and the latter in early autumn. A few are started by cuttings of mature wood taken in late autumn and kept in soil till spring, when the roots will push out.

Curled Leaves.—When leaves curl and turn brown it is mostly due to red spider, a diminutive mite that attacks plants in a hot, dry atmosphere. If the leaves are badly affected it is better to remove and burn them. If the attack is slight sponge the under side of the leaves with hot soap-suds, and rinse with clear water. Several treatments may be necessary to eradicate the pest. When the atmosphere is moist, as it should be for the health of the plants, the pest will not become troublesome. To avoid it make free use of the syringe and clear, cold water.

Chionanthus Virginica.—This handsome native shrub, popularly known as Fringe Tree, likes a deep, moist soil, and at the North, should have a sheltered situation. It is propagated from layers made during the summer, seeds sown in the spring, and spring grafting upon the common Ash. The seeds germinate tardily, and are not always to be depended upon to produce plants.

Smilax.—The plants of Boston Smilax will drop their foliage annually, when the plants need a rest. Let the leaves drop, but rest the plants by watering sparingly and keeping them in a cool place for several weeks.

Plant Lice.—These are easily disposed of by fumigating with tobacco, and future attacks of the pest may be avoided by placing chopped tobacco-stems over the soil in the pot. Sprinkling with tobacco dust or Pyrethrum powder is also effectual.

CARE OF CROTONS.

CROTONS are ornamental-leaved tropical plants that require a warm, even temperature to do well. They will not thrive in an ordinary greenhouse, where the temperature sometimes falls to 40° in the winter. They need a hot-house atmosphere. In southern and western Florida the plants make a fine display bedded out, if given a liberal supply of water during the dry season. In the window garden at the North the plants thrive in tin vessels, and watered freely during the growing season, but rather sparingly in winter, and sudden changes of temperature must be avoided. A rich, sandy, well drained soil must be provided, and a warm, sunny exposure. Some kinds are harder than others, and for the North it is well to get such Crotons as will do well under conditions that are not entirely favorable.

Saponaria Officinalis.—This old-fashioned flower, often regarded as a weed, has its place, and a valuable one, in the economy of Nature. Introduced upon the steep railroad banks where there are only loose cinders, and hardly anything will grow, it soon becomes a mass of green foliage that is admirable till winter, and shows again early in spring, beautifying what would otherwise be unsightly, and further adorned with pretty, delicate pink bloom during mid-summer and autumn. It will also cover and beautify a barren sand-bank, or any dry place where the conditions are unfavorable to vegetation. It is easily propagated from seeds, roots or cuttings.

Remedy for Ants.—A sure remedy for ants is a thorough dry mixture of equal parts cornmeal, sugar and arsenic. Place in saucers where the ants are troublesome and they will soon disappear, as the material is carried to the nest, and used as the food of the entire colony. As the arsenic is poisonous to the human family due care must be taken that it is out of the way of children, or the table supply. A harmless but less effective remedy is borax scattered freely over the floor and shelves where the ants appear.

For Small Insects.—To get rid of small insects that sometimes appear upon the soil and about pot plants place a mixture of equal parts lime, sulphur and wood soot over the soil, and powdered borax in the saucers. If you have access to Tansy chop the green leaves and stems up and place over the soil and in the saucers, or rub the dried Tansy into a powder and apply in the same way.

Snails and Slugs.—To avoid these apply a layer of fresh, dry wood ashes to the surface soil, and stir it loose after each rain. Or, apply water freely to which has been added two tablespoonfuls of spirits of ammonia. This should be applied when the ground is dry, to have the best effect.

KOELREUTERIA PANICULATA.

THIS IS a shrub or small tree with elegant pinnate foliage and in August, showy panicles of flowers. The new growth is a pleasing shade of red, almost as attractive as the flowers. It begins to bloom when quite small, and increases in beauty as it grows. As it grows twenty feet high, or higher, it can be used with good effect in large groups of shrubbery, and can even be used as a shade tree, its rapid growth, and handsome, dense foliage and abundant bloom at an odd season, making it especially desirable for that purpose. It is propagated from both seeds and cuttings.



KOELREUTERIA PANICULATA.

Agave Utahensis.—This is a species of the so-called Century Plant found in the southern part of Utah. It throws up a scape five to seven feet high, with a spike of yellowish bloom at the summit. The foliage is glaucous, narrow, with marginal spines. It is a perfectly hardy perennial plant, decorative, and of easy culture. It is readily propagated from seeds.

Black Calla.—This can be successfully treated like the Spotted Calla or Gladiolus, bedding it out in summer and lifting and storing away in a frost-proof place in winter. Give it partial shade and plenty of water while growing. The tubers will not bloom until of good size.

Water Plants.—The Parrots Feather grows well in water, and is handsome. Cyperus alternanthera, Water Hyacinth, Sagittaria, Typhas, Water Lilies and Wild Rice also do well. The smaller plants are suitable for room aquariums; the others for ponds and lakelets.

Carnations Dying.—When Carnations show brown or scalded foliage it is mostly due to the wire-worm, which enters and eats away the heart of the plant. The remedy is to search for and destroy the enemy as soon as its presence is indicated.

Crossing Morning Glories.—The crossing of Japanese and Common Morning Glories is not an impossibility, and might occur where the vines are grown near together, the pollen being carried by the wind or by insects.

EDITORIAL LETTER.

MY DEAR FRIENDS.—Leaving Paris I journeyed to London by way of Calais and Dover. Calais is a French, fortified, sea-port town of 50,000 or 60,000 inhabitants. There are many manufacturing establishments there, and a lighthouse 190 feet high. To most tourists, however, its chief interest lies in the fact that it is a point to be passed by the most direct route between Paris and London. Good trains run regularly between Paris and Calais, and the way is through a rich, beautiful and well-tilled farming country. The trains do not run with great speed, but there are few stops, and the distance is covered in several hours. The speed being moderate a good view of the country, its farming methods and its crops can be gathered from the car window. The landscape is peculiar to Northern France.

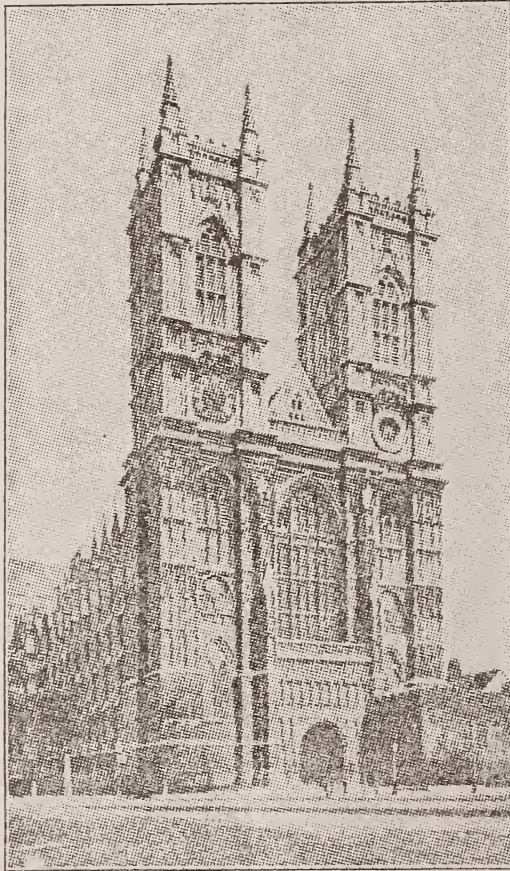
Narrow but well-made stone roads zig-zag across the country, giving access to the villages and towns in which the farmers chiefly live, going out daily to their farm plot, which usually consists of but a few acres. These roads are lined with poplar trees or fruit trees. Unlike the poplars by the roadside in America and many of the European countries those in Northern France are trimmed from the ground to near the top, making them appear tall and slender, with a branched, bushy top. All along the way, at every station, appeared very quaint old buildings and churches. The gardens and trees about the homes gave them a cozy, comfortable appearance.

The farms were not divided by fences, and the varied crops gave the landscape the quilt-like effect seen in Germany.

The Strait of Dover, which connects the English Channel with the North Sea, separates Calais from Dover, the distance between them being about 25 miles. It was this Strait that Captain Webb, the English Naval officer, crossed in the year 1875 by swimming, the time occupied being 21½ hours. The little steamer in which I crossed made the trip from Calais to Dover in about two hours. At no time was the land of either France or England out of sight. At the narrowest part, it is said, the Strait is only eighteen miles wide, and at one time many centuries ago this space was covered by a narrow isthmus.

Dover is a prominent seaport borough and summer resort of 35,000 inhabitants, situated upon the Strait, 66 miles south-east of London, England. It has an elegant pier half a mile long, constructed by the English govern-

ment at an expense of nearly \$4,000,000.00. It was fortified and walled in early years by William the Conqueror; and the Castle, which is at the summit of the great Chalk Cliff, and was built by the Saxons and Normans, is a conspicuous object from passing boats. At night the electrical display from a passing steamship is magnificent. The place is well sheltered by the surrounding cliffs, and is connected with London by a railroad which passes through a charming valley, into the fertile and beautiful lands known as the "Garden of Kent". It is a ride of two or three hours to London, and nearly all the way the surface is hilly, and the train passes through many little tunnels and deep cuts. We get only repeated glimpses of the well-tilled gardens and farms till we enter



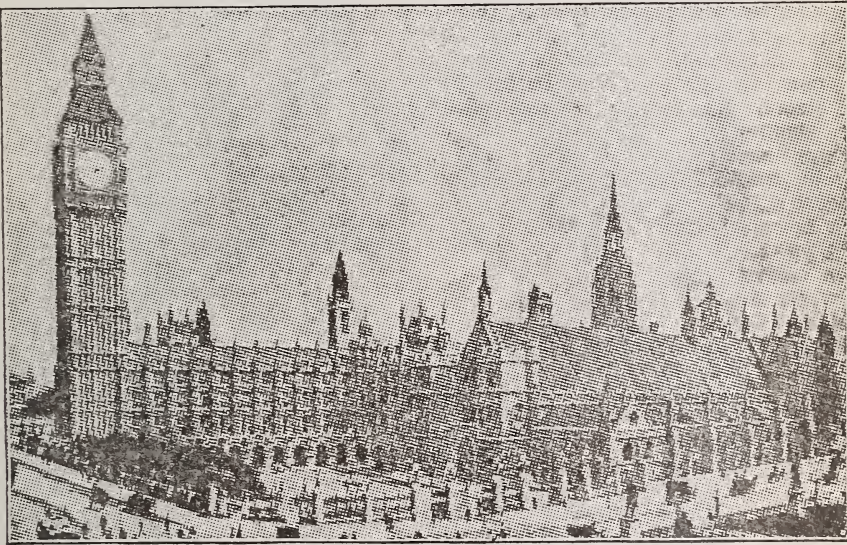
WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

another cut or tunnel; but those brief views reveal a landscape differing materially from that of the north of France. True, the Canada Thistle and scarlet Poppy were there, abundantly growing with every field crop; but the railroad was enclosed with a thorn-hedge, and the land was separated into fields

and plots by the same hedging. Then, too, the houses and barns were found promiscuously located over the landscape, and the farmers lived upon the land they cultivated, thus giving the country a more familiar and home-like appearance to an American. Fields of grain were ready to harvest, and oats and grass in great abundance were under cultivation. Some attention was also given to grazing. The farmers seemed to be provided with mowers, reapers and binders, horse-rakes and other modern agricultural implements, many of them apparently of American manufacture. The buildings were in good repair, and the general appearance indicated thrift and prosperity. I could not but feel, as I compared these farms with those of our own land situated in the general farming districts, that our farmers were working under disadvantages, and those con-

PLANTS FROM SEEDS.

A SUBSCRIBER, of Brooklyn, New York, complains that his seedling plants do not grow more than an inch or two until they die. He has tried Pansies, Mignonette, Marigolds and many other seeds. During five years of effort he has not raised one blooming plant, and he wants to know why he fails. It is probably because he gives his plants too much water. If he would plant the seeds and let Nature care for them he might be able to make a better report. Many plants will not thrive in dense shade, but even in shade a favorable report should be made of some flowers, and a reason can hardly be suggested for the failure unless the conditions of situation, culture and the like are known. Continued trials ought to bring success.



HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT AND WESTMINSTER HALL.

ditions were due to the fact that the English farmer buys his implements about 25 per cent. cheaper than his American brother, while he gets about 25 per cent. more for his product.

As we approached London the houses and gardens became more numerous, and when I stepped from the big station to the street, I found only tall brick buildings built solid and flush with the side-walk. A drive through the narrow street, which was curved almost like a horse-shoe, brought me past the Westminster Abbey and Houses of Parliament, with their spacious grounds, through Charing Cross square, and soon landed me at my hotel in Southampton Row. It was now dark, and the numerous street-lamps cast a gloomy light over the old city. So, after being located and refreshed, I took an evening stroll and with pleasant memories of the day's experience, retired till the light of another day.

Your Friend,

LaPark, Pa., July 16, 1909. The Editor.

Blue Flowers.—Among blue-flowered annuals are *Asperula azurea*, Double Asters, *Browallia*, *Centaurea*, *Convolvulus tricolor*, *Delphinium*, *Leptosiphon densiflorus*, *Myosotis*, *Lobelia*, *Phacelia*, *Salpiglossis*, Sweet Peas and *Whitlavia*. Among biennials and perennials with blue flowers are the following: *Delphinium hybridum* in blue shades, *D. Chinensis compactus* blue, Pansy, Columbine, Monkshood, *Anchusa*, Aster, Campanula, Linum, Iris, Lupinus, *Platycodon*, *Salvia patens* and *Veronica*. Among Shrubs: Blue Plumbago, *Althea*, *Caryopteris mastacanthus* and *Amorpha canescens*.

Cutting Flowers.—To promote continuous blooming, do not let any flowers of herbaceous plants remain when they begin to fade. To promote a second crop, cut the tops off when seeds form. Sweet William, Foxglove, Rocket, and many other perennials bloom again when thus cut back.

CHILDREN'S LETTER



MY DEAR CHILDREN:—Let us take a walk through the Perennial Flower Garden this fine summer day, and note the desirable flowers which are now blooming there. Entering at the north side we pass a clump of the beautiful native *Asclepias tuberosa*, the plants about a foot high, and showing the bright orange scarlet flowers in masses at their summit. This is one of our wild flowers that is easily transplanted to the garden, and when once established will take care of itself. It has no enemies, and few garden rivals during its period of bloom. The flowers are succeeded by long, slender pods which are packed with flat, flimsy seeds, each of which bears a cottony appendage which carries it away when the pod bursts and the wind blows, thus introducing the plant to new homes. It is to be regretted that this flower is not better known and prized. Its brilliance and beauty has suggested the name of Butterfly Flower, and the supposed medicinal value of the root is indicated by the



Asclepias tuberosa

more common name of Pleurisy root. It is easily propagated from seeds, and by division of the clumps.

Passing the dense plant of *Baptisia australis*, which, in June, was showy with spikes of rich blue Pea-like flowers, but now displays only big seed-pods among the pretty green foliage, we find ourselves beside a bed of *Malva Moschata*, the silken white, fragrant flowers,



Baptisia Seed-pods.

glistening in the sun and eliciting our admiration.

Nearby you see the big Compass or Polar

Plant, *Silphium laciniatum*, its golden flowers, Aster-like, opening at the top, ten feet above the ground. Its radical leaves are four feet long and a foot broad, deeply cut or lacinated, and have the reputation of always



Malva Moschata.

turning an edge northward. It is a native of the western prairies, and is called the Compass Plant, because, it is said, the lost pioneer used this character of the plant to guide him to his home. A near companion of the Compass Plant is *Rudbeckia purpurea*, sometimes known as *Echinacea*. This plant grows from four to six feet high, is very densely clothed with rather handsome foliage, and bears its big purplish-crimson "Daisies" in abundance throughout the autumn. The flowers are three or four inches across, each lasting for several weeks, and their resemblance to a small Sunflower has tempted some seedsmen to advertise the plant as the "Crimson Sunflower." It is perfectly hardy, is free from enemies, and readily increased from seeds or by division.

Those big clumps of tall, stately plants just beyond are of the new Hybrid Perennial Delphinium. The long spikes of white and blue flowers in various shades will continue their display until late autumn, and always call forth expressions of admiration.



Delphinium.

It is only about 18 inches high, bears its flowers more diffusely, but its colors are brighter and more distinct, so that it is lovely



Compass Plant.

The clumps being from six to eight feet tall require strong stakes to hold them erect. If the spikes are freely cut the bloom will be more free and continuous. To my eye the compact Chinese Delphinium, bearing rich blue and pure white flowers is equally as handsome in the garden, if properly used.

when used for a bed.



Rudbeckia purpurea.

It is certainly one of the finest of perennial Larkspurs, and deserves a place in every choice collection.

That tall, rather coarse, but very showy plant near the Delphiniums is Elecampane, scientifically known as *Inula helenium*. Every

waving bloom near the Foxgloves is of *Gaillardia grandiflora*. The flowers are of golden yellow, crimson with golden border, and crimson, borne on long stems. The plants are true hardy perennials, easily grown from seeds, and begin to bloom the first year. If cut freely, so that seeding is prevented the



Gaillardia grandiflora.

year it pushes up several stalks from the nest of big leaves at the ground, and each stalk, branching, develops many big golden flowers. Growing in good soil this plant reaches the height of eight feet, and will bloom throughout the late summer and autumn. Its roots are large, and a syrup made from them is said to be a valuable remedy for colds, coughs and consumption. Plants start quickly from seeds.

Near this



Compact Chinese Delphinium.

plant is the big bed

of Foxgloves of various colors, which made such a fine display in June. Standing erect the long spikes were a wreath of elegant drooping bells, plain and spotted, and of many shades, from white to deep carmine. In their day they were the most admired of the border flowers, but the plants are now brown with ripening seed-pods, and as soon as the stems are cut the plants will begin to gather strength for the big spikes of bloom to be developed next season.

The brilliant bed of

against the dense foliage during the autumn. The seeds are slow in starting, and if sown now the plants may not appear until next spring; but the hardy, tenacious and beautiful vine well repays a little patience in getting it started.

I would call your attention to the Sweet Williams, Columbines, Perennial Poppy, Agrostemma, Campanula, Platycodon, and a host of other perennials found in this garden, but my notes are long enough for this time. I



Clematis Viticella.

hope you will all get seeds of these flowers and sow during August. You will then have the

display is continuous until winter. This is one of the most desirable of perennials for a permanent bed, early, showy, and continuous-blooming, and enduring much drought and neglect, if only kept from forming seeds.

Near the walk you notice the little bed of seedling plants of *Clematis viticella*. This *Clematis* is a hardy and very pretty vine. It is elegant for a porch or trellis, and its rather large, purple flowers are attractive when seen

flowers to enjoy next season, which is better than to read what I can tell you about them.

Passing in the shade of the big Cockspur Thorn I want you all to pause and listen to the merry Cat-bird in the thorny branches above, singing his medley song. He greets me every morning and evening as I pass by on my way to and from my office, and I often stop and talk to him and get his answer.



Cat-bird.

And you may see his little mate, too, for she mostly appears, and both come very near, being tame, and apparently glad to be noticed. These dear little songsters have a nest in the tree, and their happy songs and good cheer have been to me a source of much pleasure throughout the spring and summer months. I feel sad as I think that the fitting season will soon bring the time when they will sing their farewell song, and go to their far Southern home. It may be a long farewell, for they may not fare so well there as they have among the trees and shrubs and flowers by the flowing waters in the La Park Gardens.

Your friend,

LaPark, Pa., July 15, '09. The Editor.

EVENING PRIMROSES.

AMONG the finest of Evening Primroses are *Oenothera Lamarckiana*, *O. Fraseri* and *O. Missouriensis*. The former will grow five feet high, and bear an abundance of large, beautiful golden flowers during summer. *O. Fraseri* is more dwarf, and the flowers are smaller and deeper in color, keeping open most of the day. *O. Missouriensis* grows a foot high, is of prostrate habit, but blooms quite as freely and is as desirable as the others. An English gardener writes "There is no more valuable border flower than *Oenothera Missouriensis*. It has prostrate, downy stems and clear yellow flowers, sometimes five inches in diameter, and borne so freely that they may be said to cover the ground with gold". Seeds of all of these Evening Primroses start readily, and should be sown at the north in August or September to have the best display next season. They deserve the attention of all who have a flower garden.



OENOTHERA MISSOURIENSIS.

Late-Blooming Shrubs.—Among the Shrubs that bloom in late summer and autumn are *Abelia rupestris*, *Aralia spinosa*, *Æsculus parviflora*, *Bignonia grandiflora*, *Catalpa Kämpferi*, *Cephalanthus occidentalis*, *Hydrangea paniculata*, *Hamamelis virginica*, *Kerria Japonica* and *Kœlreuteria paniculata*. These are all hardy, and deserve special attention on account of their late season of bloom. They should be in every collection.

A WITHERED ROSE.

'Tis but a flower, a simple Rose, now dry, and crimp, and sear,
Yet I can never see it now, but through a blinding tear.

It was a gift of love from her, I prized so highly then—

Whom I still love as dearly, but shall never see again.

This to my fainting soul and life is a devouring pain.

Oh, burning thought! consuming words! to blot them out were vain!

For they are graven on my heart in letters deep and plain—

Shall see her ne'er again!

I'll ever keep this withered Rose, and 'round it clust'ring hang

In memory, her looks and words, and all the songs she sang.

This simple gift of love from her is dearer far to me, Than all the wealth of earth combined, or that beneath the sea;

Through it her bright angelic form and face I almost see,

And hope ere long, when freed from earth, with her for'er to be,

In that fair land, that happy home, where all are pure and free,

Forever more to be.

Waverly, N. Y., Feb. 1, 1909. Harriet J. Sutton.

A PINK CLIMBING ROSE.

LET ME describe a Rose that grows on the west side of my modest mansion. It is a climber, throwing out strong canes each year, which I have, at the risk of my life standing on chairs and boxes, tacked with short leather pieces to the side of the house, even with the chamber floors. This year I shall reach out of the chamber windows and tack the canes still farther up. Its leaves are small, green and leathery, but oh, the blossoms are beautiful! They are about the size of the Wild Rose and single, but in immense clusters, like the Crimson Rambler, and the color of a pink apple blossom. As each Rose opens and grows older it fades, so that one cluster will be of all shades from white to delicate rosy pink, all open at once. The ends of the canes root easily, but as yet I have failed to watch John, and he will mow the young plants off, for John never will learn the difference between a Rose and a weed. I have told him many times; I think he is too old to learn now.

Ima.

Geauga Co., Ohio, Mar. 1, 1909.

Commercial Value of Trees and Shrubs.—A friend told me of buying a small house and lot in a side street of a thriving little town of Kansas, paying seven hundred dollars for the same. He spaded, seeded the lawn, set a few good fruit trees in the back yard, painted the house and repaired the porch. Then last, but not least, planted several two year old Rambler Roses about the porch, two Clematis and Honeysuckles. The improvements cost in money, fifty dollars. When the Rambler Roses were in their height of beauty the next season, the place sold for fifteen hundred dollars. He claims that the Roses sold the place.

E. M. B.

Woods Co., Okla.

PHYSOSTEGIA VIRGINICA.

I READ in the December number of the Magazine about *Physostegia*. It is a great favorite of mine. Seventy-six years ago it was growing on the wild prairies of Illinois, for I remember my mother sending some of the roots back to her friends in York State. It is such a peculiarly colored flower. It isn't pink, purple or lavender.

My daughter saw a bunch of the flowers in a flower store in Rochester, N.Y. They were darker colored than those growing in Illinois. She asked where they grew and was told they were brought from Virginia. It grows quite plentiful on the prairies around Chicago, and about my home in places where the sod has never been broken. It needs a great deal of water to develop all the buds, as its roots lie so near the surface of the ground the buds will blast if too dry.

I have found a good way is to take a gallon can and punch a small hole in the bottom and as soon as the buds appear fill the can every evening with water, and set it close to the roots. There will be no blasted buds then. The white is lovely—not a tinge of color about it.

Mrs. J. D. Frazer, Sr.

Will Co., Ill., March 14, 1909.

PLANTS BY MAIL.

ALL DIRECTIONS sent with mailed plants say to sprinkle, or immerse the roots in warm water and let lie several hours if any are wilted, and if possible, let them lie in a comfortable temperature, preferably in the dark, and with foliage sprinkled, even if not wilted, which they rarely are.

The greatest foe to mailing plants is the wind. Be ever so careful in removing from the box and in resetting, but if the wind blows on the roots, or disturbs the newly set plants for a weeks or so, or until new roots anchor it, they will not thrive. Protect from the wind by means of ventilated boxes, either paste-board or wooden, whenever wind is at all frolicsome; or if potted plants, bring them in the house.

Water well when resetting them. Don't give more until the surface is dry. Bulbous roots, of course, stand the wind much better, but it is a severe tax upon them, and an altogether needless one, for anyone can furnish some good wind protection, but don't forget the ventilation.

Emma Clearwaters.

CINERARIAS.

WHY IS IT that so few flower lovers raise their own *Cineraria* plants? These beautiful early spring flowers are easily grown. Indeed almost every seed will germinate, if the seeds are fresh. There is only one "don't" that I can lay stress upon in *Cineraria* growing, and that is 'don't' plant before the middle of May. June and July are favorite months. Get a mixed packet of seeds, of the largest flowering kind, start the seeds in a flat, not less than two inches deep, as it keeps the moisture better than a more shallow flat would do.

Place the flat in a cool, shady position. An east window or porch is just right, as all the sun *Cinerarias* need, is that of the morning. Sow the seeds on finely prepared potting soil, in rows not less than an inch apart, scattering the seeds very thinly in the rows. It takes from five to eight days for the seedlings to appear, and if the seeds are perfectly fresh, almost every seed will germinate.



CINERARIA.

Let them stay in the seed flats until the leaves touch, then pot off into thumb pots. Never let them suffer for want of water, nor leave them in the hot sun. Keep them growing by shifting into larger pots, as needed. It will not take long before they will need a six-inch pot, which is just about the right size to handle nicely.

The only real enemy the *Cineraria* has is the aphid, and the best remedy for its eradication, as well as the best fertilizer for the plant, is tobacco. Put the tobacco at least a half-inch thick over the soil, and you will find that the aphid will positively refuse to stay; and every time the plants are watered they receive a good feed as well.

Start *Cinerarias* now, and next spring have your windows glowing with these beautiful velvet beauties.

J. W. Cramer.

Webster Grove, Mo., May 25, 1909.

Double Portulaca.—If you desire a border plant, or want a bed by itself, be sure to get *Double Portulaca*. The flowers are specially beautiful. As soon as warm enough in the spring, the seeds should be sown in the ground or in a tub or box. They grow rapidly and completely cover the ground. They are of such lovely colors, as pretty as *Roses*, and will remain open all day in the sun.

Orleans, Vt.

Mrs. Mamie Orme.

IN FAVOR OF GERANIUMS.

SUCCESS WITH SEEDS.

WHAT Petunias are to the flower garden, Geraniums are to the window garden. They are the standbys. In a warmer situation Begonias will bloom more with less sun, but Geraniums will stand cold, windy days and nights that would kill Begonias.



GERANIUM BLOOM.

They are the sturdy, every-day people of the garden, and while not as aristocratic and dainty as Begonias, the improved ones are lovely enough to suit the more fastidious. They are among the best

of bedding plants, and will bloom every day, yet grow into such large plants as to be almost shrubs by the time frost comes, if given good soil, location and care. Window gardens cannot get along without Geraniums. They grow some ungainly branches on purpose for us to spare slips to others, without marring the beauty of the plants. They just love to grow and bloom.

Mrs. E. Clearwater.

Newport, Ind., May 12, 1909.

Darkened Windows.—A floral sister wrote me recently that she intended to dispense with plants the coming winter, because they darkened the windows. Now, if I had to give up my plants because they darkened the room through the winter, I would commence right now to save money to have a half dozen new windows set in the rooms. By saving the egg-money, picking a few berries, and doing a few washings, I would soon have enough to buy windows and fill them with plants, and be happy next winter.

Gauge Co., O., March 1, 1909. Ima.

Cinnamon Vine.—My objection to the Cinnamon Vine is that the many bulblets produced at the leaf-axils, fall to the ground and start the next season, thus becoming a nuisance. My vines grow and bloom well every year, and make a dense shade where they are trained to the east porch. I have had plants from bulblets to bear flowers the second or third year. The tubers go very deep into the ground, and once you get one started, it is there for good.

Mrs. Lizzie Johnson.

Mills Co., Iowa, May 14, 1909.

Transplanting Larkspur and Candytuft.—I find these easy to transplant. Take up each plant with a clump of dirt, and after setting, water well and shade with newspapers for four or five days.

Eddy, Texas, Mar. 11, 1909.

H. C.

OUR GARDEN and barn lots are on a long slope facing south, the barn being on higher ground than the garden. In order to keep the water from running over the latter, a trench was dug along the upper side, which in the winter fills with washings from the lots. I noticed that all weed seeds germinated very readily in this trench, and thought the soil might be good for my flowers. As it was a mass of small wriggling worms as well as very foul with weed seeds, I took an old-fashioned metal-rimmed sieve, filled it with the soil, and set it on my heater to bake. Then, for each three-cent packet of flower seeds, I procured a small box twelve inches square and four inches deep, and filled it with the baked soil, wet it thoroughly, sowed my seeds, and carefully sifted the dry baked soil on top of them. I covered each box with a cloth, and set it in a warm corner until the seeds began to come up, and then removed it to a sunny window. From a packet of Coleus I got twenty-six plants; from one of Asters I got forty-five plants, and from one of Pansies I got thirty plants. Plants like Asters, Dahlias and Centaurea require a great deal of light as soon as they appear, but Pansies are not so particular. All of the plants I have named, with the exception of the Coleus, were ready to transplant in a month from the time of sowing the seeds, and I do not think I lost a single plant in transplanting.

I plant seeds of Perennial Phlox in the fall and turn a glass over them. When my ever-blooming Roses make seeds I plant as soon as ripe, cover lightly, and drive some sticks around them. They come up in the spring, are very hardy, and free-blooming, and are fine for cemetery use. Poppies, Petunias, Portulacas, Verbenas, Marigolds, Scabiosas and Cornflowers can usually be depended upon to self-sow in this climate. Sometimes Nasturtiums, Sweet Peas and Dahlias also self-sow, but it is not safe to risk them for your supply.

Mrs. L. F. Clark.

Sebastian Co., Ark., April 26, 1909.

The Dahlia.—I heartily commend the Dahlia. The plants bloom so generously, thrive so well, and the clusters are so easily kept in a suitable cellar with soil about them, the stems cut long, to avoid decay. Then, too, they bloom during the autumn, when most of the annuals have faded. I keep several unnamed sorts, and am always trying to secure a greater supply of fine varieties.

Nellie E. Curtis.

Leroy, Mich., May 15, 1909.

Tuberous Begonias.—I have found that the smaller, more compact tubers of Begonia do best. The plants are more thrifty and out-live those from larger tubers.

Nellie E. Curtis.

Leroy, Mich., Mar. 15, 1909.

CALIFORNIA ROSE.

SOME YEARS AGO, when a railroad was being built, the company bought a gravel bank, which included part of an old lady's door-yard, where she had cultivated her old fashioned flowers. The gravel was loaded on flat cars and drawn along the track for several miles and used for grading. Now, along that track, the old fashioned flowers are growing, apparently not minding the fact they are growing in nothing but gravel. One flower I noticed in particular, I don't know whether it is one transplanted from the old lady's yard, or a wild flower. It is a vine which grows luxuriously in this gravelly soil, something like a sweet potato vine, and covered with flowers very much like a double pink Petunia. The people near call it California Rose.

K. T.

Barry Co.,
Mich., Jan.
25, 1909.

NOTE.—The plant referred to as "California Rose" is doubtless the hardy perennial vine bearing handsome, rose colored double flowers, known in catalogues as *Calystegia pubescens* fl. pl. It spreads freely by the roots, and if once introduced will take care of itself. The vines and flowers are fairly represented in the accompanying illustration.—Ed.

Decorating a Fence.—I will tell you how I decorated a high, unsightly board fence. I tacked wire-netting upon it to the height of six feet, and planted Smilax and Marechal Neil Roses to cover the wire. Nearby is a summer-house, and this is covered with climbing Asparagus ferns, Clematis Henryi and Paniculata, and a large climbing Jessamine. Next to the summer-house wall is a group of Poinsettias. Mrs. J.H. Ardis.
Los Angeles Co., Cal., Mar. 21, 1909.

BULBS IN TIN CANS.

LAST FALL I planted three single white Roman Hyacinths. One was put in a tin quart can, one in a flower pot not as deep as the can, and one in a glazed fancy mug same depth as the pot. The same soil and care was used in potting them, also the same care afterwards. All were set in the dark about two months, then gradually given light, until buds appeared, when they were given full light in a western window. The plants all made nice growth, but the one in the tin can seemed the thriftiest.

All bloomed about the same time, perfect blooms, but the bloom from the bulb in the tin can was fully twice as large as the others, kept in bloom ten days longer, and put up a second nice spike, the second bloom being as large as the blooms on the other two plants; thus it was in bloom at least two weeks longer than the others. As far as I could see, one bulb was as nice as another when planted. No more pots for winter bulbs for me, unless larger than a quart can, for herein was the secret, I think. The can being deeper, allowed of stronger, deeper rooting,

and of more water. This last is a prime need of all bulbs. Roman Hyacinths are surely fine bulbs for winter blooming, and along with them, I think I shall try some Narcissus, too, for the coming winter.

Mrs. Emma Clearwater.

Newport, Ind., May 12, 1909.

Kochia.—I had this plant for two or three years, but got rid of it, as I feared it would become a pest if it got into the fields. You do not need to coddle it. A single plant is pretty, but too many are not desirable.

Mrs. Lizzie Johnson.

Mills Co., Ia., May 14, 1909.



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FLORAL POETRY.

SUMMER, BRIGHT SUMMER.

Oh Summer, bright summer
So soon to be gone,
We love your gay song-birds
Who cheer us at dawn;
We love the green leaflets
That swing on each bough,
Yet love best the blossoms
That circle your brow.

We roam through your woodlands,
We rest 'neath your shade,
We drink from your fountains
That rush through each glade;
We joy in your mountains
That beckon us now,
Yet love best the blossoms
That circle your brow.

Tioga Co., N. Y., June 3, 1909. Ruth Raymond.

THE LOCUST BLOOM.

Ah, what is this that comes to me
Upon the gentle breeze?
The fragrance of the Locust bloom
From some far grove of trees!

The Locust bloom—to me it brings
More than a sweet perfume;
For with it comes dear memories
When life was one sweet tune.

Glad memories of my cottage home,
When I, a tiny boy,
Gathered the blooms for mother's crown
That filled our hearts with joy.

Again, when I, a lover tall,
Beside a maiden fair,
Sat 'neath that huge old Locust tree,
Its blossoms in her hair

Tho' many years have gone since then,
A wanderer sad I roam;
I see the long white pendant blooms
Sway o'er my happy home.

Boone Co., Mo., April 6, '09. Sallie Bedford.

A PETITION.

Oh, Mother Earth! Dear Mother Earth!
Give me your blossoms, white and red,
To weave a garland for my head;
Give me your yellow Daffodils,
The blooms which whiten all your hills—
The small, sweet May-flowers 'neath your trees,
The pale Anemones.

Oh, Mother Earth! Dear Mother Earth!
Give me the many tangled vines
Which creep among your fragrant pines;
Those dark mysterious leaves—in vain
Shrinking, to hide their bloody stain,
The pale blue Violets, and the white—
Your heart's delight.

Oh, Mother Earth! Dear Mother Earth!
Give me the key to these sweet tunes
Your breezes play—the ancient runes,
Your tall pines sing in monotone;
The meaning of your ocean's moan—
That the sweet spirit of harmony
May dwell within me.

Harriet J. Sutton.

Waverly, N. Y., Feb. 1, 1909.

A MEMORY.

One summer eve, long, long ago,
We two were walking hand in hand,
Where soft waves wandered to and fro,
Lapping the pearly, glittering sand.
Behind us lay green meadows, starred
With clover bloom, far down the lea;
Before us flushed and emerald barred
The restless, panting, white-haired sea.

What wonder when love's witchery came,
And touched with fire our glowing lips,
E'en as the ruby sunset's flame
Lit up the far-off gliding ships;
That we should clasp our golden dream,
And think it must forever last.
How could we know 'twas but a gleam
Of silvery pinions flitting past.

Harriet J. Sutton.

Waverly, N. Y., Feb. 1, 1909.

A GARDENER'S SOLILOQUY.

Behold, at last the buds have burst! behold my
plant in flower!
Now is repaid, the effort made through many a
weary hour;
Tho' nipped by frost of early spring, and scorched
by summer's sun,
Each day has told toward the goal, and now is
triumph won.

And so with us of human kind who struggle on for
years
With an ideal that is real, inspiring hopes and
fears;
If long enough we persevere, success will yet
be ours,
Or if 'tis not, then is our lot cast lower than the
flowers?

Ay no!—Though flowers may bloom where'er the
seeds may fall,
Rare sorts, I grant, we must transplant to have
them bloom at all.
So those who strove so hard on earth, yet left their
task undone,
Perchance were rare and over there, now bloom
beyond the sun.

Despite of weeds and floods and droughts the faith-
ful plant has grown
Toward the sun, and one by one its tender buds
have shown:
Still, working to a bright ideal in faith from hour
to hour;
Mid odors sweet, it stands complete, rewarded by
its flower.

And as I gaze upon the plant, all covered o'er with
flowers,
'Tis good to know, with fork and hoe I helped its
earlier hours:
Tho' then beneath my touch it drooped—seemed to
resent my care,
Nevertheless my carefulness helped make its
florets fair.

So may I help some human friend along life's toil-
some way
Toward the goal, wherefor his soul doth pine from
day to day.
Tho' he my "meddling" may resent, and fill my
soul with gloom,
I'll trust the Lord for my reward—He made my
plant to bloom!

Yea, if our aim and ideal is high, our struggle long
and hard,
I'm sure somewhere the Father dear will give us
our reward.
For surely He who Lilies clothe, will help those
who aspire,
And to us grant, as to the plant, the goal of our
desire.

Jas. M. Bonner.

Warren Co., Tenn., Jan. 26, 1909.

THE MESSAGE OF THE FLOWERS.

Chapter I.

IN THE COURSE of the simultaneous Evangelical Campaign in Boston the observance of Flower Day was full of suggestiveness. Contributions of flowers and money were solicited from the various pulpits, and one day was set apart for carrying the floral offerings to the aged, the sick, the shut-ins, in their homes or in the hospitals. Each church sent these fragrant greetings, through the committees chosen for this work, to each afflicted one upon its own list. The Carnation houses were laid under contribution, and fifteen thousand bunches of this long-enduring flower were distributed.

It might seem almost trivial to unthinking people to direct so much time, thought and money from the more weighty matters engaging the public attention in a great religious campaign, to a matter we are accustomed to think of as purely aesthetic. But He who has seen fit to create the manifold forms of floral beauty and to perpetuate them from age to age, has made the human heart responsive to their subtle influence. And among the purifying and uplifting currents set in motion by this great campaign, this sweet ministry of the flowers will not be the least nor the soonest forgotten.

Chapter II. — In a back-woods district some years ago there lived a woman of delicate refinement and culture. Circumstances had isolated her for a time from the environment most congenial to her, and had thrown her among rude surroundings and uncultivated neighbors. There seemed to be almost nothing in common between this cultivated woman and the rude people about her. They resisted all her advances, because they felt that she was not of their kind. She had a beautiful flower garden, and it occurred to her that the flowers might bridge the chasm, and secure some sympathetic standing ground. And they did. Little children untaught and timid, were first attracted; the sick came to expect these remembrances, dewy with sympathy and interest; and little by little, by the presentation of plants and seeds, little gardens sprang up all over the rude neighborhood. It was an unobtrusive ministry, and there is a wide space between it and the newspaper-heralded event of the campaign

flower-day. But were not the spirit and the motive of the same divine prompting?

Many who are in straitened circumstances, either from lack of money or opportunity, or from some other limitation, earnestly desire to do something for the advancement and uplifting of their kind. It seems to them a hopeless aspiration. They feel so hedged about and powerless. Let them try the ministry of flowers. Let them cultivate some of the easily-grown annuals, and make a small beginning in the way of this sweet ministry. Paths of service will open in the most unexpected way. Opportunities for words of cheer, of consolation, even of mild rebuke will almost daily present themselves. She who has the flower garden and the flower heart, pure, fragrant and dewy, will in no long time become the good angel of the neighborhood, the comforter of the sick, the con-

solider of the aged, the guardian of the tempted, the teacher and friend and guide of the children. It has been done. Try it, you who wish to serve and lack the opportunity.

Mrs. W. A. Cutting.
W. Boston, Mass.,
Feb. 16, 1909.

Ripening Bulbs.

—Last season's drouth will be remembered long, as it resulted injuriously to many of the fibrous-rooted perennials; but the bulbs, such as Hyacinths, Crocuses, Tulips, and the bulbous-rooted Iris, came through in fine shape. A friend

told me her Hyacinths were finer this spring than ever before, on account of the drouth causing them to suspend growth completely, and reserve all their vigor for this spring's flowers. If this be true, why not carefully remove the bulbs after the foliage dies, and store in an airy, cool cave or house, in boxes of soil, damping the soil enough when placing the bulbs in, to settle it around them nicely. Exposure to light and air is what withers the bulbs, as anyone can easily demonstrate for their own satisfaction.

Mrs. E. Clearwater.
Newport, Ind., 1909.

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Eddy, Texas, March 11, 1909.



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Dear Mr. Park:—I am a boy nine years old, and live on a farm with my uncle. I like pets very much, especially birds, and am fond of flowers. Commodore Hughes.

Hatton, Wash., July 8, 1909.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a farm boy of nine years. My Mamma has taken your Magazine 15 years, and has a lot of plants, also 3 canaries. I have 3 baby nephews. Ellet Bracewell.

Lineville, Ia., July 13, 1909.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am 9 years old and go to school every day. I have not missed a day in 3 years. I am in the fifth grade. Mamma has taken your Magazine as long as I can remember. Leslie, Mo., July 13, 1909. Sophie Temmer.

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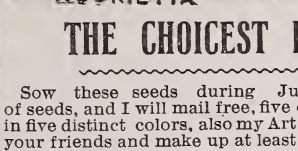
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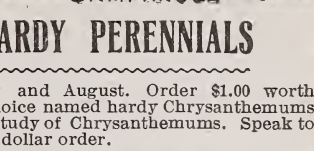
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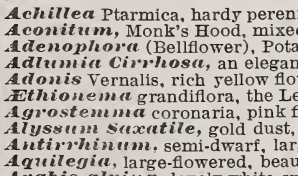
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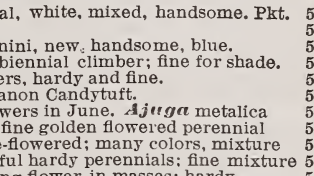
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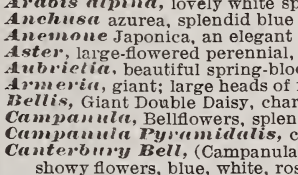
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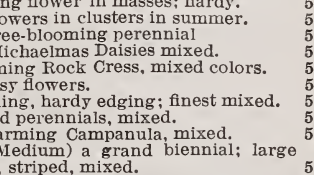
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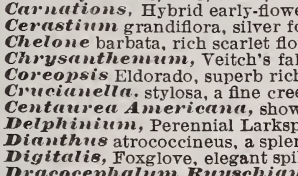
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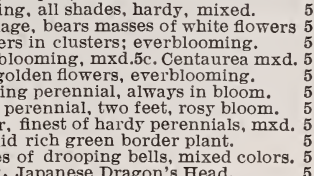
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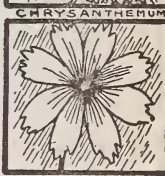
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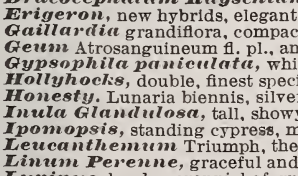
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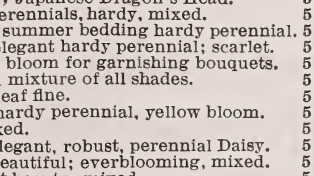
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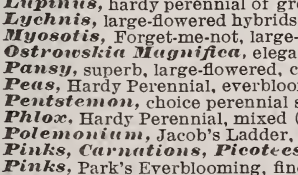
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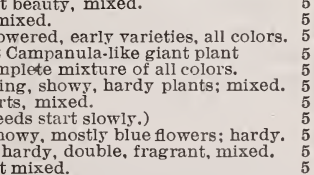
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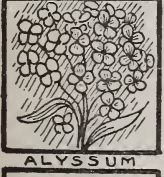
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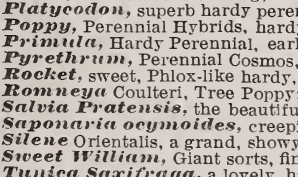
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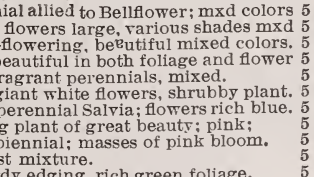
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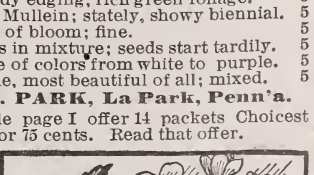
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English Sparrows are very destructive to songbirds. I rob all their nests I can find, and kill them whenever I get a chance. Do not let them build in any of your buildings, nor give them any shelter in winter, and you will not be troubled by them very long. Make your surroundings clean and attractive, and it will be an inviting place for our songbirds, and an expeller of the English sparrows. Women are much the cause for the slaughter of birds. Shame for the woman who will wear one of God's harmless little creatures as a decoration.

Yet the most dangerous of all enemies to the birds are the little boys and big boys and the big heartless men. Every father or mother who presents a gun to their boys, is doing a great wrong to themselves and the nation. I hope all people with a heart and sense will work against this evil.

Julius J. Kehose.

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Clark's Mills, Pa., Apr. 1909.

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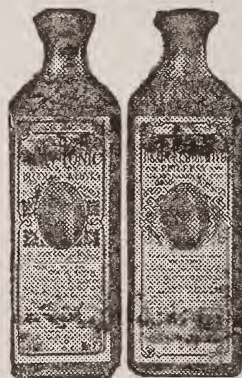
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KINDNESS A GUIDE TO CHARACTER.

Here is a little story found in the Lutheran Guide which will doubtless interest many. It was sent the Editor by a friend at Decatur, Illinois:

Edward Corliss, the great inventor, who invented the Corliss engine, was once building an addition to his factory, and in doing so it was necessary to remove a great ledge of rock by blasting to get a foundation for the structure. The workmen had been employed, and the blasting had begun. The next morning Mr. Corliss was passing by, when the foreman, knowing his interest in pretty things, called him:

"See here, Mr. Corliss," said he, "here's a bird's nest which we have found, and that's got to go."

With his finger he directed Mr. Corliss' attention to a robin sitting upon a nest in a crevice in the rock, among some bushes. As the men came near the bird flew off, revealing five blue eggs that looked as if they had just been laid.

"Can't we move that nest somewhere else?" asked Mr. Corliss.

"I am afraid not, sir; we'd tear it to pieces getting it out, and it isn't likely you could get the bird to go to setting on her eggs again somewhere else. We've got to go on; so we may as well rip it out, and throw the eggs away."

"No, we won't disturb her; let her bring out her brood right there," said Mr. Corliss.

"But we'll have to stop the work on the building."

"Let us stop it, then!"

And stop it he did. The men were put to work at whatever they could do, and drew their pay for doing next to nothing, while the old robin sat on her nest like a queen, and had her food brought her by her mate; and at last hatched out her brood.

Mr. Corliss visited them often; not because he had become impatient, but because he wanted to see them growing. The old birds had all the time they wanted, and not until they had taught their clumsy youngsters to fly, were the men allowed to go to their blasting; and soon the dull boom of the gunpowder was heard where the old robin had safely and unmolestedly reared her young.

Do you think a man like Mr. Corliss, who had such tender concern for the little birds could have been unkind to his fellow-men? Did not this act reveal his character?

What would be the reading of your character if it were judged by the way you treat the helpless and dumb beasts and birds?

CHILDREN'S LETTERS,

Dear Mr. Park:—I live on a farm, and my favorite flowers are Roses and Pansies. I like the Editorial Letter and the Children's Corner, and I agree with the editor on the cat question. I have taken your Magazine for three years, and like it, because it gives so many useful hints on the care of flowers.

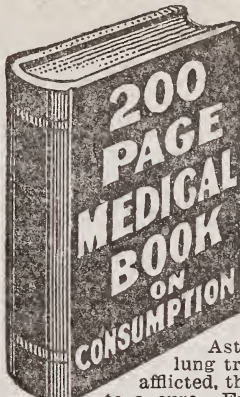
Bucks Co., Pa., Apr. 7, 1909.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl of 12 years, with brown eyes and light hair. I live on a large farm. We have 26 cows, 8 horses, 30 chickens and 3 turkeys. I have but one pet, a black pony, her name is Black Beauty, but we call her Boots, for short. She ran away with me twice when I was smaller. She is very gentle.

Philadelphia, N. Y., Apr. 12, 1909.

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Miss J. L. Kirkland.

Kershaw Co., N. C., June 30, 1909.

Mr. Park:—We have taken your Magazine a long time and like it better every time it comes. **Monroe Co., N. Y., July 2, 1909.** J. A. H.

Mr. Park:—I love flowers dearly, and your Magazine has been a great help to me. I have been taking it for twelve years and do not want to miss a single copy. I love to read its contents, especially the editorials, and I hope to be able to read it for many years. **Mrs. P. I. Parter.**
Lewis Co., Mo., July 6, 1909.

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—I enjoy your Magazine, and have many Roses and pot-plants. We have a cat but I never saw it catch birds. It is never allowed in the house, but sleeps in its box. I have a piano and can play some. **Gladys Liddle.**
Commisky, Ind.

Dear Mr. Park:—I live on a farm, and go one and a half miles to school. I have a little pony to ride. School closed May 7th, and I was not absent nor tardy during the entire term. We have a flock of Angora goats, and a number of little baby ones that are very cute. Mamma has two bay-windows full of different house plants, and a great many seeds in beds out-doors. I love all the flowers. **Estella McMabill.**
Swan Creek, Ill., May 17, 1909.



Dear Mr. Park:—I love flowers, and have Geraniums, Carnations, Sweet Peas and many others. My sister and I hunt for wild flowers every nice day. I am also fond of birds, but do not like boys who destroy the little birds. Papa gave me a little calf, I like to pet and feed it very much. I help Mamma as much as I can. I wash dishes and sweep. I love my Mamma dearly. Your little friend, **Bessie Lowman.**

McCogsburg, Ind., May 9, 1909.

Dear Mr. Park:—I live on a farm, and we have four horses and eleven cows. I love to gather violets, and go out riding. I have a dog named Billy. I love flowers. I am 12 years old. **Ruth Leonard.**



Genoa, N. Y., May 10, 1909.

BILLY.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am 12 years old and live on a farm 5 miles from town, and go to school every day. My mother has taken your Magazine 15 years, and I like it very much. We have a pony named Nance. My favorite flowers are Roses and Pansies. **Flossie Krak.**

Cavalier, N. D., Apr. 8, 1909.

Dear Mr. Park:—My Grandma takes your Magazine, and I like the Children's Column. My favorite flowers are Violets, Roses and Sweet Peas. I have 15 dolls and five cats. One is the prettiest cat I ever saw. I live on a farm 18 miles from town, and go a mile to school.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl 9 years old, and in the 4th grade. I like flowers, and have a few that I give a lot of care. I enjoy working among them. We made a tent of Morning Glories. In the summer it will be very pretty.

Milan, Mich., May 11, 1909.

Jessie Bird.

Dear Mr. Park:—I live on a farm among the hills of North Carolina, and go a mile to school and Sunday school. For pets I have 9 dolls and a little black dog. I have a playhouse, and every year a little bird builds her nest on the corner of it. One year a bird built her nest and raised some birds right in my playhouse. I watched her gathering grass and feathers to line it with. One day while I was at school the little birds flew away. I would not keep a cat that would catch birds.



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Topia, N. C., Apr. 10, 1909.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

From Texas.—Dear Mr. Park:—I live away up in the foot-hills of Mount Franklin, where tall Cactuses, round Cactuses, flat Cactuses and thorny Cactuses abound. Last summer I gathered a painful of Prickly Pear Cactus fruit and made jelly. It was fine, and I shall try it on a larger scale this year. When I first came to this section I gathered quite a collection of Cactuses, for I was then enthusiastic; but I have now lost most of them. Although a resident here for eleven years, I still find new species of Cactus.

A despised plant to which we owe much here is the Grease Weed. It is evergreen and grows everywhere, giving the whole country the appearance of one mat of green. Were it not for this weed, the landscape would be barren indeed.

One winter in New Mexico we had in our yard two large branching Cactuses, tall and tree-like. I shall never forget my amazement and delight when I arose one morning and found the ground white with a thick covering of snow, while the two Cactuses loomed up, bright green, contrasting so beautifully with the virgin white. A thousand pens could not describe my emotions at the sight, and I shall always carry the picture in my memory. In July these Cactuses bloomed, the flowers being double and of a fine red color.

Ella P. Haust.

El Paso, Texas, Mar. 16, 1909.

From Maine.—Mr. Park:—I have had the Magazine for some years, and think it very good. I wish some of our Maine friends would tell us how to grow and care for plants in this State. How glad I am to hear the birds again! As I have been an invalid since last July, I welcome the spring.

Mrs. A. B. Briggs.

Canton, Me., May 11, 1909.

From Colorado.—We can raise very few flowers here out-doors on account of the heavy frosts all summer. These are due to the altitude (3,300 feet). I usually have some Pansies and Bachelor's Buttons; but Sweet Peas are frozen just when they are ready to bloom. I must be content with flowers that will grow in the house. Of these, Geraniums, Fuchsias, Cactuses, Cyclamen, Lobelia, Oxalis and some others bloom freely throughout the winter. I have a handsome Pelargonium, but the leaves curl, become spotted, and drop off. How should I treat it?

Mrs. B. C. Vulgamot.

Tabernash, Col., March 24, 1909.

[Ans.—The Pelargonium is subject to attacks of green fly, which cause the leaves to curl and change color. Tobacco smoke confined about the plant will destroy the pest. To eradicate it entirely, several applications at intervals of two or three days will be necessary.—Ed.]

Right!—Mr. Park:—I'm going to do away with our cat this spring, so that the song-birds can build their nests and rear their young undisturbed around us. My five children have been taught to love the birds, and although they can shoot, and love to hunt, they never would think of aiming at a bird.

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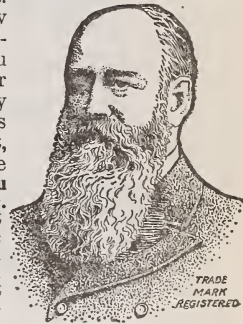
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Susan Johnston.

Cumberland Co., Me., Apr. 14, 1909.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a great lover of birds, and read with interest your account of those around your home. We see very few native birds here, as the noisy, destructive English sparrows combine against them; and so many people keep cats. How anyone can tolerate the sly, treacherous, cruel animal, I can't imagine! Birds and flowers are quite satisfying, and if one must have an animal, why not the faithful dog? Not that I advocate treating the latter as one would an infant, like many foolish women do, who might be better employed. Mary R. Kertland.

Del. Co., Pa., May 5, 1909.

Dear Mr. Park:—I could not grow flowers without your Magazine. I do not give my papers away, as some do, but keep them to refer to from time to time. Outside my dining-room window is a Rosebush that was a mass of green flies and slugs, but every day two dear little brown birds come and dine upon them. I can sit in the doorway and they will come within three feet of me, and do not seem afraid. I do not keep a cat and do not want any. Mrs. J. W. Abrell.

Martinsburg, W. Va., May 7, 1909.

Note.—If birds were properly treated they would become quite tame, especially where there are no cats to molest them. While reading near the open door of my home the other morning, I heard the chirp of a bird near me, and looking down, saw hopping upon the floor one of the little song sparrows that sing so sweetly among the trees and shrubbery outside. It hopped on into the dining-room, and picked up some crumbs, then came out as leisurely as it went in, and flew away.—Ed.

Dear Mr. Park:—I just want to tell you of the treasures I've acquired—seeds that I hope will transform into plants of handsome perennials. Many are new to me, and cannot be found offered in the more pretentious seed catalogues. Among them are Anbusa Italica, Chelone Lyoni, Mastacanthus, Ceanothus, Lythrum superbum, Dictamnus, Rodgersia, Clethra, Baptisia, and others. I hope to succeed, and be able to report upon the merits of these plants later, when I know them from experience. Mrs. R. Winter.

Hamilton Co., O., April 8, 1909.

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Dear Mr. Park:—I have been reading your Magazine for several years, and appreciate it very highly. I think it is worthy of high praise. Your letters to the children and the poetry I enjoy the most. Alice G. Cox.

Lafayette Co., Miss., Apr. 25, 1909.

Mr. Park:—I enjoy your Magazine, for there are so many helpful things in it. The letters in it are very interesting and helpful.

Clayton, N. Y., May 12, 1909. E. C. Burchell.

Mr. Park:—I prize your Magazine very much indeed. Your Editorial letters I enjoy immensely. Your talks about Europe, especially Germany, with the pictures interest me very deeply. Your floral directions are very helpful. Altogether your Floral Magazine is most interesting, and I would miss a great deal of sunshine without it. Harrisburg, Pa., May 13, 1909. Angie Leif.

Mr. Park:—I have been a subscriber to your Magazine for several years, and like the floral talks and your Editorials very much. I have been looking over the volumes of 1905 and 1906, and find them quite as interesting to me as some of the later ones, for they contain so much information on growing Begonias and house Roses. A few days ago I received the April number. It is fine and I am delighted with it.

Mrs. Mollie Parks.

Philipsburg, Mont., Apr. 23, 1909.

Mr. Park:—I have been taking your Magazine for a year, and I don't see how I could raise flowers without it. It is the most helpful Magazine of the kind I have ever seen.

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Maywood, Ind., Mar. 1, 1899.

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K. T.

Barry Co., Mich., Feb. 5, 1909.

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Copemish, Mich., May 11, 1909.

GOSSIP.

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Geauga Co., Ohio, March 1, 1909.

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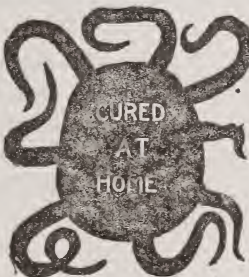
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